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Letter dated 14 February 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith humanitarian and information bulletins from the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 10-14 February 2017 (see annex).

I should be grateful if this letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex to the letter dated 14 February 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (10 February 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out seven humanitarian operations in Aleppo city (in the Ma'adi and Shaykh Maqsud districts; at schools in the Sulayman al-Halabi and Firdaws districts; at a mosque in the South New Aleppo district; and near the School of Arts for Women) and in Suqaylibiyah in Hama governorate, during which 3.8 tons of bread, 3,000 tons of hot food and 400 food parcels were delivered to civilians.

Over the past 24 hours humanitarian assistance has been provided to 6,300 residents. In total, 6.2 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by other States and international organizations

Russian airplanes parachuted 20.6 tons of humanitarian cargoes (food products) to the city of Dayr al-Zawr, which was received by the Syrian authorities through the United Nations.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (11 February 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, six ceasefire agreements have been signed with Busayrin, Zawr al-Jadid and Hayyalin in Hama governorate, with Muhammadiyah and Ghurayfah in Damascus governorate, and also with Marj al-Qata in Homs governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,228.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 110.

Over the past 24 hours, 24.5 square kilometres have fallen under the control of government forces. A total area of 1,381.7 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) since 1 January 2017 has increased to 45.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

From 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is unchanged — it is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported four violations: two in Ladhiqiyah governorate and two in Hama governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported 14 violations in the following governorates: 6 in Damascus, 4 in Homs, 2 in Ladhiqiyah, 1 in Aleppo and 1 in Idlib.

During its investigations of these incidents, the Russian representative office was unable to confirm the 14 ceasefire violations.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (12 February 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, three ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas in Damascus governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,231.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 110.

Over the past 24 hours, 11.2 square kilometres have fallen under the control of government forces. A total area of 1,392.9 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) since 1 January 2017 has increased to 46.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

From 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is unchanged — it is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported four violations in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported four violations in the following governorates: two in Damascus, one in Idlib and one in Homs.

During its investigations of these incidents, the Russian representative office was unable to confirm the four ceasefire violations.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (12 February 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out seven humanitarian operations in Aleppo city (in the Nayrab and Shaykh Maqsud districts and at schools in the Muyassar, Salah al-Din, Akramiyah and Khalidiyah districts) and in Btammana in Ladhiqiyah governorate, during which 3.8 tons of bread, 3,000 tons of hot food and 400 food parcels were delivered to civilians.

Over the past 24 hours humanitarian assistance has been provided to 6,300 residents. In total, 6.1 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by other States and international organizations

The United Nations and partners have continued to provide food, non-food, medical, psychological and legal assistance to the Syrian Arab Republic. Work is also continuing to restore infrastructure and provide temporary accommodation to those in need.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (13 February 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, seven ceasefire agreements have been signed with Rawdah, Karamah and Suqaylibiyah in Hama governorate, with Bala al-Qadimah, Zamaniyah and Bayt Nayim in Damascus governorate, and with Banjarah in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,238.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 remains unchanged at 110.

Over the past 24 hours, 6.5 square kilometres have fallen under the control of government forces. A total area of 1,399.4 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) since 1 January 2017 remains unchanged at 46.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

From 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is unchanged — it is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported six violations: four in Ladhiqiyah governorate and two in Hama governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported six violations in the following governorates: two in Damascus, one in Homs, one in Dar'a, one in Aleppo and one in Hama.

During its investigations of these incidents, the Russian representative office was unable to confirm the six ceasefire violations.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (13 February 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out seven humanitarian operations in Aleppo city (in the Bizarad, Qasilah and Shaykh Maqsud districts, and at schools in the Karm al-Da'da', Hamdaniyah-2 and Ashrafiyah districts), during which 3.8 tons of bread were delivered to civilians.

Over the past 24 hours humanitarian assistance has been provided to 2,900 residents.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by other States and international organizations

Russian airplanes parachuted 20.6 tons of humanitarian cargoes (food products) to the city of Dayr al-Zawr, which was received by the Syrian authorities through the United Nations.

Humanitarian cargoes were delivered to Rasan in Homs governorate by a humanitarian convoy comprising 38 vehicles of the United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross and the Syrian Arab Red Crescent.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (14 February 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, five ceasefire agreements have been signed with Shab'a al-Qunaytir and Hawsh al-Ash'ari in Damascus governorate, and with Mashta Mahli and Mahabbiyah in Homs governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,243.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 110.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) since 1 January 2017 has increased to 47.

The total area of liberated territory that has fallen under the control of government forces since 1 January 2017 has increased to 1,428.4 square kilometres over the past 24 hours.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

From 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is unchanged — it is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported five violations: three in Ladhiqiyah governorate and two in Hama governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported nine violations in the following governorates: five in Aleppo, two in Dar'a and two in Damascus.

During its investigation of these incidents, the Russian representative office confirmed one ceasefire violation. It has not confirmed the other eight incidents.